From: <u>Tsiamis, Christos</u>
To: <u>Katia Kelly</u>

Cc: <u>Loney, Natalie; Shore, Berry; Carr, Brian</u>

Subject: Re: Congresswoman Velázquez"s Meeting On September 15th

**Date:** Tuesday, September 15, 2015 10:15:19 AM

Dear Katia,

I am sorry to hear that the congresswoman's office has not extended the invitation for attending today's meeting to all CAG members, like yourself, that have actively expressed interest to attend. Be assured that EPA, as always, in the spirit of transparency, will report to the CAG on today's meeting and its outcome during the upcoming CAG meeting.

With best regards,

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From: Katia Kelly

Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2015 9:03 AM

**To:** Tsiamis, Christos

**Subject:** Fwd: Congresswoman Velázquez's Meeting On September 15th

Dear Christos,

I guess I will not be attending today's meeting. I trust it will come up at the next CAG meeting.

Cheers, Katia

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From: Katia Kelly pardonmeinbrooklyn@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Sep 15, 2015 at 8:44 AM

Subject: Re: Congresswoman Velázquez's Meeting On September 15th

To: "Wiley, Daniel" < <u>Daniel.Wiley@mail.house.gov</u>>

Cc: Douglas Sarno < doug@forumfg.com >, Daniel Wiley < wileydani@gmail.com >,

"loney.natalie@epamail.epa.gov" < Loney.Natalie@epamail.epa.gov>

Dear Dan,

If that is as you say, I am surprised that the invitation has not been extended to my husband Glenn Kelly, who, after all, is the Chair of CB6's Parks' Committee.

Please make sure that the EPA knows that those who will attend today represent an interest group, not the entire voice of the CAG.

Regards, Katia

On Mon, Sep 14, 2015 at 9:46 PM, Wiley, Daniel < <u>Daniel.Wiley@mail.house.gov</u>> wrote: Hey Katia,

First off, it is not a CAG meeting, but it happens to include CAG members and others who have been concerned that there be continued use of a pool and park provided for in the cleanup, and they'll be representing themselves and their organizations.

This is a promised follow-up meeting for the Friends of Thomas Green Park and others who had met with EPA last year. They want to have focused time on the particular issue of what happens with the pool and park in the various cleanup scenarios and how to have commitments on their replacement. There has not been adequate time and space provided at the general CAG meetings to dig down on this, so that is the purpose of the meeting.

If you want to be part of the organizing concerning the future of Thomas Green Park and pool, you can reach out to those from the friends group and others.

Also, I'm sure EPA can have more focus-group meetings if requested.

Thanks, Dan

From: Katia Kelly [mailto:pardonmeinbrooklyn@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, September 14, 2015 3:39 PM

To: Wiley, Daniel; Douglas Sarno

**Cc:** Daniel Wiley; <a href="mailto:loney.natalie@epamail.epa.gov">loney.natalie@epamail.epa.gov</a>

**Subject:** Re: Congresswoman Velázquez's Meeting On September 15th

Hi Dan,

Thanks for the info. Would you mind sending me the names of the 13 CAG members? How were they chosen? Will the 13 members represent the CAG or the organizations they represent? Was this meeting announced at the last CAG general meeting?

Will Judith Enck know that the invitation was not extended to all CAG members? This raises so many questions.

If the focus of the meeting is Thomas Greene Park, the pool site, and location of the tank, I would hope that you will give Judith Enck the opportunity to hear from as many CAG members as would like to attend. After all, this affects all of us.

I am asking kindly for the meeting to be opened to others.

Regards, Katia

PS: I have added Doug Sarno, our facilitator to this email, as well as Natalie Loney of EPA. On Mon, Sep 14, 2015 at 2:58 PM, Wiley, Daniel < <u>Daniel.Wiley@mail.house.gov</u>> wrote:

Hey Katia,

Thanks, I'd overlooked your last email, welcome back.

The meeting is at capacity and has 13 CAG members.

The focus is that happens with the Thomas Green Park and Pool site with the cleanup and tank options there, and is a follow up to a similar meeting last December.

Thanks, Dan

**From:** Katia Kelly [mailto:<u>pardonmeinbrooklyn@gmail.com</u>]

Sent: Monday, September 14, 2015 9:20 AM

**To:** Daniel Wiley, Wiley, Daniel

**Subject:** Congresswoman Velázquez's Meeting On September 15th *Just following up in case you did not get my first email.* 

Good morning, Dan.

I just reached out to EPA Region 2 to get a quick update on the Gowanus Superfund clean-up process since I have been gone for the past two months.

As part of the conversation, I learned that Congresswoman Velázquez will be hosting a meeting on Tuesday, September 15 with EPA to which your office has invited 'interested parties' from the community.

I was a bit surprised as I had not gotten any information about this meeting through the EPA Community Advisory Group.

Could you please let me know who or what community group(s) have been invited to the meeting as "interested parties"?

Will the invitation be extended to the members of the CAG? As you well know, the CAG represents the broadest voice of the community. Its members have taken the time to understand the science and the complexities of the issues and should certainly be allowed to be part of the conversation on September 15th.

After all, we are all "interested parties."

Thank you in advance for your response,

Sincerely,

Katia Kelly

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